(c) Yes, Sir. Details are being finalised in consultation with the State Governments.

Indian Airlines Services disrupted due to Agitating Engineers

909. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state.-

(a) whether Indian Airlines services were considerably disrupted following failure of talks with agitating engineers in October this year;

(b) if so, the number of flights cancelled, inordinately delayed due to the engineers agitation; and

(c) the total estimated loss caused to the airlines thereby?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Aircraft Maintenance Engineers had resorted to a "go slow" in the first week of October, 1991. Its impact was felt on scheduled operations during the period 10th to 16th October when only reduced number of A-300 aircraft could be made available for operations. Some fights were consequently re-scheduled and/or operated with other types of aircraft. During this period a total of 398 flights were delayed. It is difficult to estimate precisely the loss in financial terms on account of delayed flights.

New logo of Air India

910. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state;

(a) whether a definite decisions has been taken to do away with the new logo of Air India-the rising sun-which is more suited to Korea and Japan;

(b) if so, by when will this logo be removed from atop the Air India Head Quarters at Nariman Point at Bombay; and

(c) by when will the Centaur be re installed in its place atop the Air India Head Quarters?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The logo is quite heavy and the wind conditions at that height make the job complicated and time consuming. Necessary action has been initiated but it is difficult to assign a definite date for completion of the job.

Mismanagement to Air India

911. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item captioned "A non-stop flight to mismanagement Air India bend's rules to lose money" appearing in the Statesman, New Delhi dated the 20th April, 1991;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether any probe had been or dered into enormous loss of revenue and responsibility therefor been fixed; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and whether he will now have the matter examined by a high level committee and pin down responsibility for the huge loss?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Air India had conducted internal investigations in respect of all the points mentioned in the newspaper report and the allegations regarding enormous loss of revenue to Air India could not be Substantiated.